

## **Bonfire debrief presentation noted.**

**5** There was heard and noted a presentation by Group Commander Craig Cambell, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Chief Superintendent Lynn Ratcliff, Police Scotland and Darren Lambie, Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding this year's Bonfire night, advising that

- (1) in general, calls across the city were down this year compared to last year with the exception of the Pollokshields area of the city;
- (2) as a result of the multi-agency approach, there had been a number of uplifts undertaken of potential bonfires prior to Bonfire night, resulting in fewer bonfires year-on-year;
- (3) all Secondary Schools and 143 Primary Schools had been visited by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Community Action Team and Police Scotland Campus Officers, focussing on a preventative message of anti-social behaviour, along with an extensive use of social media;
- (4) unfortunately, there had been 2 attacks on fire appliances as they attempted to respond to Bonfire calls and had to withdraw to a place of safety with the assistance of Police Scotland. On both occasions, there were thankfully no injuries sustained by any first responders; and
- (5) the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and Police Scotland were currently undertaking a full debrief on all recorded incidents to help advise future planning.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted
  - (i) the success of this year's campaign, which was largely due to the multi-agency approach; and
  - (ii) that Chief Superintendent Lynn Ratcliffe would contact Councillor Campbell if there had been any arrests in his ward relating to Bonfire night; and
- (b) welcomed the suggestion of starting next year's Bonfire planning earlier, with the inclusion of housing partners; and
- (c) agreed that organised events would not solve all issues relating to Bonfire night, however would go a long way to mitigate the problems.